

of Charities and Corrections. He is a member of the Board of Trade and of its Committee on Charities and Corrections. He is a member of the Church of the Holy Trinity, and a Vice President of the Young Men's Christian Association.

Mr. Macfarland married, in 1888, a daughter of ex-Commissioner John W. Douglass. Mrs. Macfarland is prominent in philanthropic work of Washington. They live at 1816 F Street. Mr. Macfarland's mother and sister live in their house at 1727 F Street. His brother, Lieut. Horace Macfarland, of the Navy, who distinguished himself in Cuban waters, and afterward in the Philippines, is about to come home on the Concord.

Commissioner Ross.

John W. Ross was born in Lewistown, Ill., June 23, 1841. The foundation of his education was laid in the public schools of Lewistown, being supplemented by a four-years' course at the Illinois College and by one year at the Harvard Law School. He was admitted to the bar in 1866, after a rigid examination before the Supreme Court in open session at Springfield. Mr. Ross was elected member of the Illinois Legislature in 1868, and again in 1870 as a Democrat.

In 1873 Mr. Ross removed to Washington and engaged in the practice of his profession, and since that time has been a resident of the District. He was appointed



John W. Ross.

lecturer in the law school of Georgetown University, serving until 1887. In 1886 he was appointed trustee of the public schools of the District and was President of the School Board from 1887 to 1890. He was appointed Postmaster of Washington by President Cleveland, qualifying February 1, 1888, and serving until October 1, 1890. Mr. Ross was appointed to the office of Commissioner of the District by President Harrison in September, 1890, for which he qualified on October 1, succeeding to the unexpired term of Commissioner Lemmon G. Hine. He was reappointed on April 14, 1897, by President McKinley. He will have served on May 8 next three terms as Commissioner.

HISTORY OF THE BOARD.

Commissioners Who Have Held Office Under the Organic Act.

The organic act under which the present form of government in the District of Columbia was instituted and is administered, approved by President Hayes on June 11, 1878, makes the following provision regarding the appointment of the District Commissioners:

Section 2.—That within twenty days after the approval of this act the President of the United States, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, is hereby authorized to appoint two persons, who, with an officer of the Corps of Engineers, of the United States Army, shall be Commissioners of the District of Columbia.

3. The two persons appointed from civil life shall, at the time of their appointment, be citizens of the United States, and shall have been actual residents of the District of Columbia for three years next before their appointment, and have, during that period, claimed residence nowhere else.

4. And one of said three Commissioners shall be chosen President of the Board of Commissioners at their first meeting, and annually and whenever a vacancy shall occur thereafter.

5. The official term of the Commissioners appointed from civil life shall be three years, and until their successors are appointed and qualified, but the first appointment shall be for one year and one for two years, and at the expiration of their respective terms their successors shall be appointed for three years.

Following is the record of the appointments of the various District Commissioners from the passage of the organic act to the present time, showing each Board, as it was constituted, and giving the political affiliations of the Commissioners: appointed from civil life.

First Board—Seth L. Phelps, president; Republican; Josiah Dent, Democrat; Major William J. Twining, July 1, 1878, to No-

ember 29, 1879. Appointments made by President Hayes, Republican.

Second Board—Commissioner Dent, Democrat, became president, and Thomas P. Morgan was appointed by President Hayes to take the place of Seth L. Phelps, Major Twining was continued. November 29, 1879, to May 13, 1882.

Third Board—Major Garrett F. Lydecker took the place of Engineer Commissioner Twining, being appointed by President Arthur. The civil Commissioners were the same as in the second board. May 13, 1882, to July 17, 1882.

Fourth Board—Joseph R. West, Republican, was appointed by President Arthur to take the place of Commissioner Lydecker. He was made President of the Board. Commissioners Morgan and Lydecker remained. July 17, 1882, to March 8, 1883.

Fifth Board—Commissioner Morgan retired to give place to James B. Edmonds, a Democrat, appointed by President Arthur. Commissioner West continued President of the Board and Commissioner Lydecker continued a member. On March 27 Commissioner Edmonds became President of the Board instead of Commissioner West. The Board existed from March 8, 1883, to July 29, 1885.

Sixth Board—Commissioner West gave place to Commissioner William B. Webb, Republican, appointed by President Cleveland. Commissioner Edmonds, the Democrat of the new Board, was made its president. Engineer Commissioner Lydecker continued. July 29, 1885 to April 1, 1889.

Seventh Board—Commissioner Edmonds gave place to Commissioner Samuel E. Wheatley, Democrat, appointed by President Cleveland. Col. William Ludlow was appointed at the same time to succeed Lydecker. Commissioner Webb was made president of the Board. April 1, 1889 to January 27, 1888.

Eighth Board—Major Charles W. Raymond succeeded Commissioner Ludlow as Engineer Commissioner. Otherwise the Board remained unchanged. January 27, 1888 to May 21, 1889.

Ninth Board—Both civil Commissioners were changed. John W. Douglass, a Republican, and Lemmon G. Hine, a Democrat, being appointed by President Harrison soon after his inauguration. Commissioner Douglass was made president of the Board. The Engineer Commissioner, Raymond, was unchanged. May 21, 1889, to February 14, 1890.

Tenth Board—Lieut. Col. Henry M. Robert took the place of Engineer Commissioner Raymond. February 14, 1890, to October 1, 1890.

Eleventh Board—Commissioner Ross was appointed by President Harrison to succeed Commissioner Hine as a Democrat. Commissioner Douglass continued as president of the Board, and there was no change in the Engineer Commissioner. October 1, 1890, to October 15, 1891.

Twelfth Board—Capt. W. T. Ross was appointed Engineer Commissioner to succeed Lieutenant Colonel Robert. The civil Commissioners continued. October 15, 1891, to March 15, 1893.

Thirteenth Board—Myron M. Parker, Republican, was appointed to succeed Commissioner Douglass by President Harrison, immediately before Mr. Cleveland was inaugurated. Commissioner Ross and Engineer Commissioner continued. March 15, 1893, to May 8, 1893.

Fourteenth Board—Captain Russell gave place to Capt. Charles F. Powell, as Engineer Commissioner. The civil members of the Board were continued. May 8, 1893, to March 9, 1894.

Fifteenth Board—Commissioner Parker gave place to Commissioner George Truesdell, Republican, appointed by President Cleveland. Commissioner Ross was continued as President of the Board, and the Engineer Commissioner remained unchanged. March 9, 1894, to March 3, 1897.

Sixteenth Board—The civil membership of the Board continued the same. Captain Black was appointed to take the place of Commissioner Truesdell. The Engineer Commissioner continued. March 3, 1897, to May 8, 1897.

Seventeenth Board—Commissioner J. B. Wright succeeded Commissioner Truesdell as Republican Commissioner, being appointed by President McKinley. Commissioner Ross was continued as president of the Board. The Engineer Commissioner was continued. May 8, 1897, to June 1, 1898.

Eighteenth Board—Commissioner Wright was made President of the Board in place of Mr. Ross. Capt. Lansing H. Beach was made Engineer Commissioner in place of Captain Black. June 1, 1898, to June 1, 1899.

It will be seen from the records that it has been the understanding from the beginning that the two members of the Board of Commissioners appointed from civil life shall be of opposite political faith.

The two first Commissioners appointed by President Hayes were a Republican and a Democrat, respectively, the Republican being appointed the President of the Board in harmony with the policies of the Administration. And so in every succeeding Board from 1878 to the present time there have always been a Republican and a Democrat.

The one possible exception to this, in the eighteenth Board, is in the case of Commissioner Morgan who was appointed to succeed Commissioner Phelps, a Republican, in November, 1897, and yet remained on the Board when Commissioner Dent, Democrat, gave place to Commissioner West, Republican, in 1898.

Since Commissioner Morgan retired in 1898, there has been no question as to the opposite political faith of the two civil Commissioners who have at various times been simultaneously members of the Board. There was much comment at the time of Commissioner Morgan's appointment as a Republican and later when he was retained as a Democrat. It was said by some that he had deceived Presidents Hayes and Arthur and by others that they were parties to an attempted deception on the people of the District. The succession of Boards, properly constituted with a Democrat and a Republican on each has thus given the custom almost, if not quite, the force of law. It is an unwritten law which no President has ever thought of evading since 1882.

Brother Wamamaker.

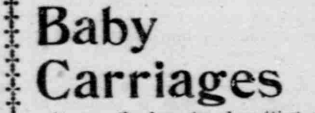
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5c For the Sterling Silver Friendship Hearts in many patterns of chasing, that are bargains at 10c elsewhere; and 10c for the Jeweled Hearts that are 25c elsewhere.

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ARRESTED IN NEW YORK.

George Hayford Charged With Defrauding a Washington Attorney.

NEW YORK, April 27.—George Hayford, who was arrested at his home, 422 Lenox Avenue, last night, at the request of the police of Washington, D. C., was arraigned before United States Commissioner Shields this morning on the charge of obtaining \$300 from Edward W. Spaulding, of 618 F Street northwest, Washington, by means of a worthless draft drawn on the Douglas County Bank, of Waterville, State of Washington. The draft was dated March 21, 1900, and Spaulding alleges, was returned to him with a statement from an official of the bank to the effect that the bank had never heard of Hayford until a short time before, when drafts drawn by him came there for collection.

Hayford, who says he is a lawyer and sometimes calls himself "Judge" Hayford, acted as his own attorney when arraigned before Commissioner Shields today. The complainant, Spaulding, who is a Washington attorney, is in court with Detective Weedon, of the District of Columbia police. When the commissioner asked Hayford what he had to say to the prisoner replied:

"The charge is preposterous. I am not guilty and I desire an examination at the earliest possible date."

He was held in \$1,000 bail for examination next Tuesday afternoon. He complained that the bail was excessive.

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